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Inventorship..... Dean  
Applicant ..... Microsoft Corporation  
Group Art Unit .....2151  
Examiner .....Bullock, Jr. L.  
Attorney's Docket No. .... MS1-796US  
Title: Interprocess Communication Mechanism For Heterogeneous Computer  
Processes

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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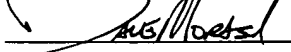
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant respectfully petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action which was mailed on October 12, 2000 for the above identified application filed on July 14, 1997. The three-month due date for a Response was originally January 12, 2001, but is respectfully extended an additional three months to April 12, 2001. A three month extension fee of \$890 is included in the enclosed check.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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